

# **“LETTING YOU KNOW”**

*The Illinois Department of Transportation is interested in maintaining close communications with industry. This newsletter highlights subjects which we believe will be of interest to you.*

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## **GET READY FOR TODAY'S CHALLENGE, TOMORROW'S REWARD DBE CONFERENCE**

The 2006 TODAY'S CHALLENGE, TOMORROW'S REWARD DBE CONFERENCE will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2006, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. This conference serves as a forum for DBEs, contractors, consultants and IDOT staff to interact one-on-one, develop contacts, gain information and discuss issues on various aspects of operating a successful highway construction business. Please see the Special Notice in this Bulletin for further information.

## **DEBT DELINQUENCY**

Effective March 1, 2006, prior to awarding any contract or entering into any agreement, state agencies are required to inquire through the Comptroller's Offset System, using the vendor FEIN or SSN, to determine if any delinquent debt has been placed by a state agency. This inquiry shall be made for the prime vendor and each known subcontractor/sub consultant.

Any bidder/offerer as a prime contractor or consultant that is found to have delinquent debt will be considered not responsive. No award can be made.

If a subcontractor/subconsultant is found to have delinquent debt, approval cannot be given until the debt has been satisfied. The Department will notify the prime contractor/consultant when a subcontractor/subconsultant is found to be delinquent

Questions concerning consultants and/or subconsultants may be directed to Cheryl Cathey at 217-782-7557.

Questions concerning contractors and/or subcontractors may be directed to Jim Duncan at 217-782-7806.

## **BCC 2115 – SUBCONTRACTOR PAYMENT AGREEMENT (NON-DBE)**

This is a new Bureau of Construction form that will document which non-DBE subcontractors worked on the contract and the actual amount the prime contractor paid to each non-DBE subcontractor. This form will be required for any contract submitted to the Central Construction Office for finalization after March 31, 2006. The BC 2115 will be completed by the prime contractor and submitted to the district office at the completion of the contract. Failure to submit this form with the final packet may result in a delay of the final voucher/final payment.



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**PROFILE EQUIPMENT  
VERIFICATION (PEV)  
PROGRAM:**

The Bureau of Materials and Physical Research, in conjunction with the Bureau of Construction, recently instituted the IDOT Profile Equipment Verification (PEV) program. The PEV program was established to address changes to the Special Provision for Surface Testing of Pavements that were made effective as of the August 5, 2005 letting. These changes require any Contractor on a project using this Special Provision to verify their profile equipment through the PEV program. This also applies to equipment used by a Subcontractor on the project.

The 2006 PEV program will be held at the Rantoul Airport, with tentative scheduling for the weeks of April 24 and May 1, 2006. Participants in last year's trial program will need to have their profile equipment re-verified (this is an annual program). If you or a Subcontractor has profile equipment to be verified, please contact either of the following individuals for scheduling. No walk ups will be allowed:

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**Advanced Certified Steel  
Erectors**

Beginning in January 2007, certain complex bridge projects involving the erection of curved steel girders will require the use of an Advanced Certified Steel Erector through AISC. For information on the certification process, go to [www.aisc.org](http://www.aisc.org) or [certinfo@aisc.org](mailto:certinfo@aisc.org).

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**Slipforming Parapets**

The following contracts on the April 28, 2006 letting have been selected as part of our continuing joint effort with the AGCI/IRBA to improve the slipforming process with the goal of eventually lifting the moratorium on slipforming structural parapets.

Item #	Contract
117	64858
128	64A82
94	72680

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**STAY INFORMED!**

Keep in touch with your representative on the IDOT/Industry Policy Committee and IDOT/Industry Joint Co-op Committee.